- 1 Q How would you characterize the difference between
- 2 an employee and a consultant?
- A Mr. Blabey gets a consultant check without a pay
- 4 stub, and I get one with a pay stub.
- 5 Q Could you be more specific as to what the
- 6 difference is?
- 7 MR. EDMUNDSON: I object. It seems to me, Your
- 8 Honor, the answer was complete.
- 9 THE COURT: You can get at it another way. If he
- gets a check, what is the difference between having a stub
- 11 on it or not?
- 12 THE WITNESS: I don't know.
- THE COURT: Do you hand him his check?
- 14 THE WITNESS: Mr. Weis forwards me the checks at
- the end of the month -- the beginning of the next month, and
- 16 I distribute them.
- 17 THE COURT: And so, your paycheck has an
- 18 attachment to it?
- 19 THE WITNESS: That's correct.
- THE COURT: And that is what you call a stub?
- THE WITNESS: That's correct.
- THE COURT: What is on the attachment?
- THE WITNESS: The deductions to date. My Social
- 24 Security number.
- THE COURT: Social Security deductions, income

- 1 tax --
- THE WITNESS: Federal income tax and disability
- 3 deduction.
- THE COURT: Mr. Blabey's does not have the stub?
- 5 THE WITNESS: That's correct.
- THE COURT: So, to the best of your knowledge, he
- 7 has no deductions taken out?
- 8 THE WITNESS: That's correct.
- 9 BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 10 Q Ms. Montana, is that the only difference that you
- 11 understand as pertains to the paycheck?
- 12 A That's the only difference that I understand.
- 13 Q Ms. Montana, when you were first employed by WJUX,
- 14 did you have some sort of employment contract or letter of
- 15 understanding?
- 16 A I have a letter of agreement with Mr. Weis.
- MS. FRIEDMAN: Your Honor, may I approach the
- 18 witness?
- 19 THE COURT: Let the record reflect, I nodded my
- 20 head yes.
- BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- Q Ms. Montana, I would like to show you Mass Media
- Bureau Exhibit 12, which I would like to identify as a
- letter of agreement between Ms. Montana and Mr. Weis for
- employment.

- 1 Could you please read the first sentence of the
- 2 second paragraph?
- 3 MR. EDMUNDSON: One moment, Your Honor.
- 4 THE COURT: Do you want it read aloud?
- 5 MS. FRIEDMAN: Yes.
- THE WITNESS: "Monticello Mountaintop
- 7 Broadcasting, Inc. agrees to engage Carol M. Montana as an
- 8 independent consultant on radio station management matters
- 9 effective with the first date of broadcasting of Monticello
- 10 Mountaintop Broadcasting, Inc. in Monticello, New York. The
- weekly fee for said consulting services shall be \$25 paid
- 12 monthly in arrears."
- BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 14 Q Thank you. Also, part of Mass Media Bureau
- 15 Exhibit 12 is a copy of your paycheck. Could you read that?
- 16 A It says: "Consult and phone."
- 17 THE COURT: Is what Ms. Friedman showed you the
- letter of agreement with Mr. We's that you were referring
- 19 to?
- THE WITNESS: That's correct.
- THE COURT: Was your signature on that?
- THE WITNESS: Yes.
- THE COURT: Do you know about when this was done,
- 24 because the letter is undated
- THE WITNESS: It was sometime in October of 1994.

- 1 It was undated, due to my fault I forgot. I copied a
- letter that Mr. Blabey gave me. Just inserted my name and
- 3 forgot to date it.
- 4 THE COURT: Thank you.
- 5 BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 6 Q So, Ms. Montana, based on that letter, would you
- 7 now want to state for the record, are you an employee or a
- 8 consultant for WJUX?
- 9 A I was a consultant. I am now an employee.
- 10 Q Could you explain how this change came about?
- 11 A After I got a few checks from Mr. Weis, I became
- concerned that I would have to pay self-employment taxes,
- and I did not want to have to get into that for such a small
- amount of money. So, I asked to be put on the payroll, and
- 15 he agreed.
- 16 Q Ms. Montana, you stated previously that Mr. Blabey
- 17 supervises you at WJUX?
- 18 A That's correct.
- 19 Q What is Mr. Blabey's schedule?
- 20 A I'm sorry?
- Q What is Mr. Blabey's schedule at the station?
- 22 What are his hours?
- A Mr. Blabey has no set schedule. He gets there
- when he gets there, and he leaves when he has to leave.
- Q Ms. Montana, did WXTM have any employees, when it

- first went on the air for the first few months?
- A When they first went on the air, they had myself
- 3 as an employee. I'm sorry. They had two consultants, I
- 4 quess.
- 5 Q At anytime, were there any other people hired at
- 6 the station?
- 7 A At any other time?
- 8 Q How about the first year of operation? Was anyone
- 9 else hired?
- 10 A In August of 1995, George Spicka was hired to
- 11 conduct weekly E.B.S. tests and meter readings.
- 12 Q Did WVOS employees ever assist in the operation of
- 13 WXTM?
- A Could you define "assist in the operation of"?
- 15 Q For example, if there was a program interruption
- 16 at the station --
- 17 A If there was what?
- 18 Q A program interruption at WXTM. Who did you call?
- 19 A Depends on the time of day.
- Q Ms. Montana, were there any program interruptions
- 21 at WXTM?
- 22 A Yes, there were.
- 23 Q Could you tell me about what time the first one
- 24 took place?
- 25 A In the spring -- I'm sorry. In the early winter

- of 1995, there was an ice storm that hit Sullivan County.
- 2 It was very bad. The power was out throughout the county
- for a number of days, and the studio was knocked off the air
- 4 for several hours.
- 5 Q When this occurred, who was the first person you
- 6 notified?
- 7 A I'm sorry?
- 8 Q When this occurred, who was the first person you
- 9 notified?
- 10 A I don't recall.
- 11 Q Ms. Montana, could you clarify when you say off
- the air, did you mean WVOS or WXTM?
- 13 A I'm sorry. Say that again.
- 14 Q When you say there was an ice storm and the
- station was off the air, did you mean WVOS or WXTM?
- 16 A I meant WXTM. WVOS was also off the air.
- 17 Q When that occurred did you call anyone for
- assistance in putting the station back on the air?
- 19 A WXTM?
- 20 Q Yes.
- 21 A I do not recall.
- 22 THE COURT: Let's say on an ordinary day without
- an ice storm, how would you know whether WXTM or WJUX was
- 24 off the air?
- THE WITNESS: That would also depend on the time

- of the day. I listen to WJUX to and from work. If they're
- off the air at that point in time -- and by off the air, I
- mean I can't hear them. If they're off the air at that
- 4 point in time, I will get to work and check what's going on,
- or I will call the engineer who is George Spicka right now.
- 6 THE COURT: When you have been on the way to work
- 7 or going home from work, and you have been listening to
- 8 WJUX, it has been silent?
- 9 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- THE COURT: Okay. About how often does that
- 11 happen?
- 12 THE WITNESS: Rarely.
- THE COURT: Okay. Now, when you are at work in
- 14 the WVOS building, is whatever going on at WVOS on the
- 15 speakers there?
- THE WITNESS: Yes, it is.
- THE COURT: Annoying, isn't it?
- THE WITNESS: Absolutely.
- THE COURT: Okay. So, you would not know when you
- were in the building whether or not WXTM or WJUX was off the
- 21 air?
- THE WITNESS: That's correct.
- THE COURT: Is that what you meant by when you
- said it depends on the time of day who you would call or
- 25 whether you would call?

- 1 THE WITNESS: That's correct.
- 2 BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- Ms. Montana, I would like to refer you back to the
- 4 deposition.
- 5 A Okay.
- 6 Q I would refer you to Page 38.
- 7 A Okay.
- 8 Q I want you to read first to yourself, and then out
- 9 loud, from Line 17 through Lire 11 of the next page.
- 10 A Seventeen through eleven?
- 11 Q Yes.
- 12 A Okay. You want me to read it out loud?
- 13 O Yes
- MR. RILEY: Your Honor, I object to this. I
- 15 recall a reference back to deposition transcripts would be
- 16 permitted if counsel was offering to show a conflict between
- deposition testimony and the live testimony given here. To
- have a witness read something into the record without
- 19 counsel's representation that that is going to show a
- 20 conflict, not simply the use of different language, because
- 21 we have different language all the while between the
- depositions and what is said here. But I think we will
- leave it here forever, and we will end up with this
- 24 transcript in the record.
- THE COURT: You can use a deposition for two

- 1 purposes. If the witness says, 'I don't remember, or I
- don't recall,' and there is a portion in the deposition
- where you believe the witness did recall and answer the
- 4 question, you say, 'Read it to yourself. Does that refresh
- 5 your recollection?' And the witness will say, 'Yes.' And
- 6 you say, 'Can you answer the guestion now?' And then the
- 7 witness will answer.
- And the second reason is for impeachment, to show
- 9 that there is a conflict between what the witness said
- 10 today, and what the witness said in the deposition. And it
- has to be a real conflict, not a semantical difference.
- Now, I do not have the deposition in front of me.
- Do you have an extra copy for me?
- 14 THE WITNESS: I have a copy. I could get mine and
- 15 give the Judge this.
- THE COURT: Why don't we do that? Whatever I
- have, I want to put a clean copy in front of me.
- Let's go off the record, and I will see if it is a
- 19 conflict.
- 20 (Whereupon, a short recess was taken.)
- 21 THE COURT: Okay. Tam back on the record. I do
- 22 not think that this presents a conflict. This covers a
- 23 different matter. The testimony that came out was whether
- Ms. Montana, of her knowledge, knew whether WJUX was off the
- air, because she listened to it going back and forth from

- work. The question on Line 17 and 19 is a different
- question, so it goes to a different subject. I have no
- 3 problem if you just ask her the question.
- MS. FRIEDMAN: I believe I was trying to find out
- if Ms. Montana, in the event of a program interruption, ever
- 6 called WVOS employees?
- 7 THE COURT: Well, ask the question that way, and
- 8 see what you get.
- 9 BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 10 Q Ms. Montana, in th∈ event of a program
- interruption on WJUX, did you ever notify a WVOS employee?
- 12 A Yes, I did.
- Q Could you tell about the time the program
- 14 interruption was?
- 15 A I believe it was in the morning, and I got a phone
- 16 call that the station was off the air. That it could not be
- 17 heard. And I called the WVOS operations manager, Mike
- Sakell, who also does a morning air shift, to see if he knew
- if there was any transmitter problem.
- 20 Q Was there ever any other occasion when WJUX was
- 21 off the air?
- 22 A There was another tame that I could not hear the
- 23 signal. Yes.
- Q How were you notified of this?
- 25 A How was I notified of this?

- 1 Q How did you know it was off the air?
- 2 A I got a phone call from the public.
- 3 O From?
- A From a member of the general public. A listener.
- 5 Q Did you ever get a call from Mr. Turro that WJUX
- 6 was off the air?
- 7 A I believe I did.
- 8 Q Could you tell me the circumstances of that call?
- 9 A I'm sorry?
- 10 Q Could you tell me about the program interruption?
- 11 Could you tell me what happened?
- 12 A To the best of my
- 13 THE COURT: This refers to the time Mr. Turro
- 14 called.
- 15 MR. RILEY: That is what I wanted to be sure of.
- MS. FRIEDMAN: Yes.
- 17 THE WITNESS: To the best of my recollection, that
- was the time a fiber optic cable had been cut in Orange
- 19 County during a road construction.
- BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- Q When Mr. Turro called you, where were you?
- 22 A In my office.
- 23 Q After Mr. Turro called you, what was your next
- 24 step? What did you do?
- 25 A I'm sorry. I don't recall what I did next.

- Once again, could you turn to Page 14 of the
- 2 deposition?
- 3 A Fourteen?
- 4 Q Yes. And could you read out loud the question and
- 5 answer?
- 6 MR. EDMUNDSON: Your Honor, I would like for her
- 7 to read it silently.
- 8 THE COURT: Yes, I think that is fair.
- 9 THE WITNESS: Which line was that?
- 10 BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 11 Q The question is on Line 9, and the answer on 10.
- 12 And see if that refreshes your memory.
- 13 A Okay.
- 14 Q Does that refresh your memory about what you did
- 15 after Mr. Turro called?
- 16 A I'm confused. I don't know what you're getting
- 17 at.
- 18 THE COURT: I think that the confusion is, the
- initial question was, you got a call from Mr. Turro. The
- 20 question was, what were the carcumstances of the call? And
- 21 Ms. Montana said there was a fiber optic cable cut during
- 22 construction in Orange County Is that right?
- THE WITNESS: It's Orange County. I'm sorry. But
- 24 what you're telling me does not refer to the same situation.
- THE COURT: Let me just finish. Then the question

- was, where were you? Ms. Montana said she was in her
- office. Then the question was, what did you do next? And
- 3 Ms. Montana said, 'I don't recall.'
- And the deposition portion of which you refer her,
- 5 that was a different incident?
- THE WITNESS: This was not the same occasion.
- 7 This was a few -- at the previous page, I was home when I
- 8 got the call from Mr. Turro. And I called Mike Sakell,
- 9 which is what I said I did before.
- 10 BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 11 Q Were there two times that WJUX was off the air
- 12 that Mr. Turro called you?
- 13 A WJUX, as I stated in another part of my
- deposition, has been off the air maybe three times in the
- three years that it's been on the air.
- 16 Q Okay.
- 17 A It happens rarely. It happens with every radio
- 18 station.
- 19 Q Did Mr. Turro call you on two out of those three
- 20 occasions?
- 21 A I don't recall.
- THE COURT: Do you know, of your own knowledge, at
- 23 the time that WXTM was on the air and then changed to WJUX,
- 24 what Mr. Turro's role or title or position, if any, was with
- 25 WXTM or WJUX?

- THE WITNESS: When XTM first signed on the air,
- 2 Mr. Turro was the chief engineer
- 3 THE COURT: What was the name of the individual
- 4 you called for WVOS?
- 5 THE WITNESS: In the morning if I got a call when
- I was still at home, I called Mike Sakell, our operations
- 7 manager.
- 8 THE COURT: He was operations manager?
- 9 THE WITNESS: Yes. And he also has a morning air
- shift, so he would be the one who would know if there was a
- transmitter problem, or if he had gotten phone calls at the
- radio station, saying, 'We can't hear Jukebox Radio or
- 13 WJUX.'
- THE COURT: Okay.
- BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 16 Q I believe you said Mike Sakell?
- 17 A Sakell. S-A-K-E-L-L.
- 18 Q Where did Mr. Sakell work?
- 19 A At WVOS.
- 20 Q Ms. Montana, are you aware of a time when an FCC
- inspector came to WJUX?
- 22 A My memory has been refreshed to that incident.
- 23 Yes.
- Q Were you at the station that day?
- 25 A Yes, I was.

- 1 Q Do you remember when it was?
- 2 A I did not remember when it was. My memory's been
- 3 refreshed that it was in April of '95, I believe.
- 4 Q Were you at the station that day?
- 5 A Yes, I was.
- 6 Q Was Mr. Blabey there?
- 7 A I do not recall Mr. Blabey being there, but Mr.
- 8 Blabey has informed me that he was there.
- 9 Q Do you remember the inspector's name?
- 10 A Serge Loginow.
- 11 Q Close enough. It is Mr. Loginow. Did you speak
- 12 with him?
- 13 A Yes, I did.
- 14 Q Do you remember the conversation you had with him?
- 15 A I remember basically nothing.
- THE COURT: Were you relieved he was looking into
- 17 WJUX and not WVOS?
- THE WITNESS: Yes, T was.
- 19 THE COURT: Okay.
- THE COURT: And after that, you blanked out?
- THE WITNESS: I just don't recall what we talked
- 22 about.
- BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- Q Ms. Montana, when the inspector came, did you call
- anybody or do anything?

- 1 MR. EDMUNDSON: This is to her recollection.
- THE COURT: Right. If you remember, say what you
- remember. If you do not remember, you just do not remember.
- 4 Just say that.
- 5 THE WITNESS: I really don't remember the sequence
- 6 of events. I'm sorry.
- 7 BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 8 Q Do you remember anything at all about the
- 9 inspection?
- 10 A I remember Mr. Loginow standing in the doorway to
- my office leaning on my door; amb. I remember talking to
- 12 him. And I am sorry. I don't remember any of the
- 13 conversation.
- 14 Q Did you call anybody when you saw the inspector?
- 15 A To the best of my recollection, I called Alan
- 16 Kirschner.
- 17 O Who is Mr. Kirschnem?
- 18 A Alan Kirschner -- who was then the engineer for
- 19 WJUX.
- Q What was your conversation with him?
- 21 A Mr. Kirschner was not there. I left a message on
- 22 his voicemail.
- 23 Q Then, did you call anyone else?
- A And I did not call -- Okay. To the best of my
- 25 recollection, I believe I called the Network to inform them

- that Mr. Loginow was there. And, at that point in time, Mr.
- 2 George Spicka, who was not yet an employee of WJUX just
- happened to walk in. And since I knew he was an engineer I
- 4 thought he might be able to help Mr. Loginow.
- 5 Q Where did Mr. Spicka work?
- 6 A Mr. Spicka is retired
- 7 Q At the time of the inspection, was he employed
- 8 anywhere?
- 9 A Yes. That's correct.
- 10 Q At the time of inspection, was Mr. Spicka employed
- 11 anywhere?
- 12 A I don't know. He was not employed by WJUX at the
- 13 time.
- Q Was he employed at WVOS?
- 15 A No.
- 16 Q What did you ask Mr. Spicka to do?
- 17 A I think I said, 'Car. you help this gentleman?'
- MR. RILEY: This gentleman being Mr. Loginow?
- 19 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 21 Q Do you remember discussing the inspection with Mr.
- 22 Weis?
- A No, I do not recall that.
- Q Did you discuss the inspection with Mr. Turro?
- 25 A I do not recall that...

- 1 Q Did you discuss it with Mr. Blabey?
- 2 A Probably. I'm sorry. I don't recall.
- 3 O Ms. Montana, at the time of the FCC inspection,
- 4 which we have set at April of 1995, do you know if there was
- 5 remote control of the WJUX transmitter from the WJUX studio?
- 6 A Yes, there was.
- 7 Q Could you tell me the nature of this remote
- 8 control?
- 9 A It was a dial-up on the phone remote control.
- 10 Q Do you know how to operate it?
- 11 A Yes, I do.
- Q Could you tell me how you operate this?
- A You call 292-0537. You enter a code, and you take
- 14 the directions from there.
- THE COURT: When you say you take the directions,
- is there an audio recording that tells you what to do next?
- THE WITNESS: There's a -- It says "hello" or
- something like that. I'm not sure if it tells you what to
- 19 do. I have on two occasions in my office, instructions on
- 20 how to use the remote control And there's also one in the
- 21 main WJUX studio.
- BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 23 Q At the time of the inspection, did you know how to
- use the remote control?
- 25 A Yes, I did.

- THE COURT: You are talking about the WJUX studios
- in the WVOS building?
- 3 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- THE COURT: Is that how you answered the question?
- 5 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 6 BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 7 O Ms. Montana, do you handle any finances for WJUX?
- 8 A No, I do not. Only petty cash.
- 9 THE COURT: How much does the maximum petty cash
- 10 have?
- 11 THE WITNESS: Approximately \$50.
- 12 BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 13 Q Ms. Montana, did WJUX ever have a local
- 14 salesperson?
- 15 A Excuse me. Did WJUX ever --
- 16 Q Have a person whose job was to sell advertising?
- 17 A Just recently, Mr. Blabey sold some political
- 18 time.
- 19 Q What about the first year of operation?
- 20 A No.
- 21 Q Do you know if any local advertising was ever sold
- 22 on WJUX?
- 23 A I'm sorry. Say that again.
- Q Do you know if any local ads were sold on WJUX?
- 25 A Other than the recent political ads?

- 1 Q Yes.
- 2 A No. I don't know of any.
- 3 O Ms. Montana --
- 4 THE COURT: When you say local, define local.
- 5 MS. FRIEDMAN: Okay
- THE COURT: Or get the witness's definition of
- 7 local.
- BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 9 Q Were there any ads sold for the Sullivan County
- 10 area?
- 11 A Not that I know of No.
- 12 Q Did you ever hear any local advertising on WJUX?
- MR. RILEY: Your Honor, your direction to counsel
- a moment ago was important to distinguish between ads sold
- by the licensee of WJUX, versus ads for businesses that may
- have bought advertising. Not through the licensing of WJUX
- but through the Network. And the last question does not
- 18 draw that distinction.
- 19 THE COURT: Well, we have Sullivan County. There
- 20 is Liberty. There is Monticello. And local could be
- 21 Sullivan County, Local could be Liberty. Local could be
- 22 Monticello. Local could be whatever other communities are
- up there. And I think we need a definition of local.
- She can ask what she wants, and you can ask what
- 25 you want.

- 1 MR. RILEY: I realize that. Your Honor, the
- 2 reason I raise the point, I thought Ms. Friedman was after a
- 3 particular point. That is, was ads sold on behalf of the
- 4 licensee, rather than on behalf of the Network? And if that
- is the point she is driving at, the question did not contain
- 6 the specifications.
- 7 THE COURT: Well, she has the benefit of what you
- 8 said, and she can formulate her questions however she
- 9 wishes.
- MR. RILEY: If it is of any benefit.
- THE COURT: Yes. I think it is, otherwise you
- 12 would not have said it.
- 13 BY MS. FRIEDMAN:
- 14 Q Ms. Montana, do you know if Jukebox Radio ever
- sold advertising of any nature for WJUX?
- 16 A I'm sorry. You're question is very confusing.
- Jukebox Radio would not sell advertising for WJUX.
- 18 Q Okay. I withdraw the question.
- MS. FRIEDMAN: Your Honor, we would like to have a
- 20 five or ten minute recess.
- THE COURT: Why? Do you want to review your notes
- and see if there is any more? We do not need a recess. We
- will just off the record, and let you do it.
- MS. FRIEDMAN: Yes.
- THE COURT: Go off the record.

- 1 (Whereupon, a short recess was taken.)
- THE COURT: We are on back on the record.
- 3 MS. FRIEDMAN: I have no further questions.
- 4 THE COURT: Mr. Helmick?
- 5 BY MR. HELMICK:
- 6 Q Ms. Montana, you are the Public Affairs Director
- 7 for WJUX?
- 8 A That's correct.
- 9 Q Do you have any role in preparing the quarterly
- issues programs list for WJUX?
- 11 A The what?
- 12 Q Quarterly issues programs lists. Do you know what
- 13 those are?
- 14 A No, I do not.
- MR. RILEY: Was the answer, Your Honor, to the
- question, do you know what they are, or was it to the
- question, do you have any role in preparing them?
- THE COURT: Why don't you clarify that, Mr.
- 19 Helmick?
- BY MR. HELMICK:
- 21 Q Do you know what quarterly issues programs list
- 22 are?
- 23 A I know what they are, yes.
- Q Do you have any role in preparing the quarterly
- issues programs lists for WJUX?

- 1 A I do not.
- 2 Q To your knowledge, during the period from the time
- when WJUX or WXTM went on the air in October, 1995 --
- 4 A '94.
- 5 Q Excuse me. Until the FCC inspection in April,
- 6 1995, did WJUX originate any programming from its studio
- 7 during that period of time?
- 8 A Not to the best of my knowledge.
- 9 Q Has any programming ever been originated from the
- 10 WJUX studio to your knowledge?
- 11 A Yes, it has.
- 12 O What was that?
- 13 A Weekly E.B.S. tests are originated at the WJUX
- 14 studios.
- 15 Q From what time period, Ms. Montana?
- 16 A I believe they started in August of 1995.
- 17 Q So, after the FCC inspection?
- 18 A It would seem so, yes.
- 19 Q Any other programming besides weekly E.B.S. tests?
- 20 A Yes. I have run some political ads from the WJUX
- 21 studio.
- Q When did that occur?
- 23 A That was this recert election.
- 24 O That would have beer in --
- 25 A 1997.

- 1 Q Any other programming originate from the WJUX
- 2 studios?
- 3 A Yes. There was -- I believe it was the time that
- 4 the fiber optic cable had been out in Orange County. We ran
- a reel full of music that originated at the WJUX studio.
- Q Do you recall the time frame for that, Ms.
- 7 Montana?
- 8 A I believe that was in early summer of 1995. I
- 9 don't recall the exact date.
- 10 O It would have been after the FCC inspection?
- 11 A I believe it was. I don't recall.
- 12 O I want to focus for a minute on the incident where
- the cable was cut in the summer of 1995.
- MR. RILEY: Your Honor that date is not
- established in the record, but it is assumed in Mr.
- Helmick's question, and I think that is objectionable.
- 17 THE COURT: I think that in answer to the previous
- 18 question, Ms. Montana said that when the fiber optic cable
- 19 was cut, they ran a reel full of tape from the music from
- 20 WJUX.
- 21 MR. RILEY: That is correct.
- THE COURT: And Ms. Montana said it was early
- 23 summer 1995, to the best of her knowledge. Is that correct?
- THE WITNESS: That's correct.
- MR. RILEY: But Mr. Helmick's next question was

- that must have been after the FCC inspection, and she said,
- 2 'I don't recall.'
- 3 THE COURT: Well, we know when the FCC inspection
- 4 was, and we know when the reel to reel music was run. And
- 5 we can draw our own conclusions as to whether it was before
- or after the FCC inspection. We do not have to rely on Ms.
- 7 Montana's memory for that. She does not remember the
- 8 sequence of events, but if she remembers it was the early
- 9 summer of '95, then it does not matter what she remembers.
- MR. RILEY: I have stated my objection, Your
- 11 Honor.
- 12 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Helmick?
- BY MR. HELMICK:
- Q Ms. Montana, when that phone line was cut, did
- WVOS lose phone service?
- 16 A Yes, we did.
- 17 Q WJUX lost phone service?
- 18 A Excuse me. Let me rephrase that. We lost long
- 19 distance phone service, not local phone service.
- THE COURT: So, it was a phone line that was cut?
- THE WITNESS: It was a fiber optic cut. And since
- we lost long distance phone service, I have to assume it was
- a phone line.
- THE COURT: Okay.

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